

Brigadier General Eric T. Fick

Deputy Program Executive Officer
F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office



Brigadier General Eric T. Fick is the Deputy Program Executive Officer for the F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office in Arlington, VA. The F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office is the Department of Defense's agency responsible for developing and acquiring the F-35A/B/C, the next-generation strike aircraft weapon system for the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, and many allied nations.

Brigadier General Fick entered the Air Force in September of 1990 as a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and a Distinguished Graduate of AFROTC Detachment 225, Notre Dame, Indiana. He has served as a logistics plans and programs officer, F-16 mechanical systems engineer, computational fluid dynamics research engineer, Joint System Program Office Chief of Test, Air Staff Branch Chief, and as the Deputy Chief of the Air Force Senate Liaison Office. Additionally, he has logged more than 350 hours in the T-38, F-15, F-16, and other military and civilian experimental aircraft. Brigadier General Fick has commanded at the squadron and group level and served twice as an Air Force Program Executive Officer.

Prior to his current assignment, Brigadier General Fick was the Director of Global Reach Programs for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, where he was responsible for the \$5.6B airlift, air refueling, training, and special operations programs portfolio.

Brigadier General Fick and his wife Christine live in Stafford, VA and have six children.

EDUCATION

- 1990 Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering; University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN
- 1995 Master of Science in Aeronautical Engineering; Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH (Distinguished Graduate)
- 1996 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 1998 Experimental Flight Test Engineer Course, Air Force Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, CA (Distinguished Graduate)
- 2003 Master of Military Operational Art & Science; Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL (Distinguished Graduate)
- 2006 Air War College (via correspondence)
- 2007 Program Management Office Course, PMT-352B, Eglin AFB, FL
- 2009 Master of Science in National Resource Strategy; Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft Lesley J. McNair, Washington D.C. (Distinguished Graduate; Honor Graduate)
- 2009 Senior Acquisition Course; Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft Lesley J. McNair, Washington D.C.
- 2010 AF Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of Virginia, Darden School of Business, Charlottesville, VA
- 2011 Program Manager's Course, PMT-401, Fort Belvoir, VA
- 2012 Executive Program Manager's Course, PMT-402, Fort Belvoir, VA

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1990 - March 1992: Logistics Plans and Programs Officer, Hill AFB, UT
2. March 1992 - March 1994: F-16 Mechanical Systems Engineer, Hill AFB, UT
3. March 1994 - December 1995: Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
4. December 1995 - December 1996: Computational Fluid Dynamics Engineer, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
5. December 1996 - December 1997: Flight Test Program Manager, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
6. December 1997 - December 1998: Student, USAF Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, CA
7. December 1998 - July 2000: Deputy Chief, Weapons Test Flight, Eglin AFB, FL
8. July 2000 - July 2002: Chief of Test, Counter-Air Joint System Program Office, Eglin AFB, FL
9. August 2002 - June 2003: Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
10. July 2003 - September 2003: Director, Direct Attack, Air Force Program Executive Office (Weapons), Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
11. September 2003 - May 2004: Chief, Air Dominance Branch, Global Power Directorate, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
12. May 2004 - July 2005: Senate Liaison Officer, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Legislative Liaison), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
13. August 2005 – June 2006: Operations Officer, 46th Test Squadron, Eglin AFB, FL
14. July 2006 – July 2008: Commander, 46th Test Squadron, Eglin AFB, FL
15. August 2008 – June 2009: Student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft McNair, Washington D.C.
16. July 2009 – August 2011: Commander, Advanced Combat Systems Group, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
17. September 2011 – July 2014: Program Executive Officer for Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Special Operations Forces, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
18. July 2014 – April 2016: Program Executive Officer for Fighters and Bombers, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
19. April 2016 – May 2017: Director, Global Reach Programs, Assistant Secretary (Acquisitions), Pentagon, Washington D.C.
20. May 2017 – Present: Deputy Program Executive Officer for the F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office, Arlington, VA

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: None

Flight hours: Approx 350

Aircraft flown: T-38, F-15B, F-15E, F-16, F-18, Learjet-24, E-3A, KC-135R, T-39E, C-17A, C-141C, MiG-15, T-43A, Challenger 604, C-12C, MC-130E, Bell 206, NC-130H, NU-1B, TH-6B, T-6G, Cessna Citation, CM-170, MB-326, L-039C, ASK-21, L-23, Grob-103, Schweizer 2-33

Non-rated Officer Aircrew wings awarded December 1998

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant, 23 July 1990

First Lieutenant, 23 July 1992

Captain, 23 July 1994

Major, 1 September 2001

Lieutenant Colonel, 1 May 2005

Colonel, 1 October 2008

Brigadier General, 3 October 2014.